#### SERMON REPORTERS.

In English Churches They Are Only Admitted on Sufferance.

Some one who evidently speaks from knowledge writes in the Homiletic Review of "The Experiences of a Sermon Reporter." His remarks on the differest rules in English and American newspapers on sermon reporting and ids statement that it is necessary to verify Scriptural texts are not without interest. Possibly there is a text for a sermon not preached by the preachers in the following paragraph:

porters are invariably welcomed American churches, for American the advertisement obtained through sapaper notices. Some preachers maintain their own "press agent" order to secure the utmost publicity the occasionally brilliant and, it may be, eccentric statements which y deliver. In English churches the reporter is only admitted on sufferance. Trider an ancient law, which has never sen repealed, the taking of shorthand bites of sermons is a misdemeanor haracterized as "brawling" and punshable by imprisonment. In a few merican churches special desks are available for reporters. They are, in my case, treated with the utmost courby the ushers and provided with sents immediately below the pripit. On a rare occasion in a crowded arch a reporter has been allowed to bimself on the pulpit steps, and on one extraoclinary occasion it is re-corded that a stenographer was coucsaled within the pulpit itself.

#### RABBITS AS FOOD.

Be Sure They Are Young and Then Cook Them With Cuions.

Conies, the parent rabbits, were long considered as indigestible, provocative of melancholy-a black meat, breeding nightmares-but young rabbits have long been approved by thoughtful eaters. They were once eaten very young, and Topsell protested quaintly against the practice of cutting them out of the mother: "I trust there is no man among Christians so inhumanely giuttenous as once to devise or approve the sweetness of so foul a dish." Tame copies are not so good as the wild ones, for every creature doth partake taste of the air wherein he liveth, and the air of the rabbit warren is not Egyers ble.

The hare was praised extravagantly by Horace and Martial, and Apicius ave many recipes for dressing it, but the rabbit was not much esteemed the Greeks and Romans, Toy there are many ways of cooking the latter-brown or white fricassee, young rabbit in curl papers, croquettes, allets, gelatin, gratin, rabbit pie, pudding, soup, scallops, mince of rabbit aw fumet, rabbits a la venitienne, white sibelots, turban of fillets, kickshaws with Italian sauce, and, best of allhow the savor arises as we write!rabbits and onlons. But the rabbits must be young-those whom the gods love eat them young .- Boston Herald.

#### A DOG IS ALWAYS HONEST.

Me Can't Growl and Wag His Tail at the Same Time.

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"If a dog is glad to see his master he will bark and wag his tail. If he wants to get into the house he will new at the door, whine and wag his all, but they are all symptoms of one the same emotion. But if his master opens the door he will cease to show anxiety immediately by whining and will show pleasure only by the wagging of his tail.

"In order to get a man's temper one must watch his eyes, but for a dog's you have to watch his tail. The dog is likewise incapable of deceit, and hence he is nothing of a politician. He de-Wes no one, not even his master. If be is overjoyed every emotion is indicative of that fact, and his whole makeup gives ample testimeny to it. If be is displeased or angered it is the same way."-Houston Post.

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